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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

<u>In Re Application of</u>	:	June 22, 2005
<u>H. Maruyama, et al</u>	:	Group Art No.: 2136
<u>Serial No. 10/017,926</u>	:	Examiner: Eleni Shiferaw
<u>Filed: October 29, 2001</u>	:	IBM Corporation Anne Vachon Dougherty 3173 Cedar Road Yorktown Hts, N.Y. 10598
Title: DIGITAL SIGNATURE VERIFICATION AND PROGRAM TRANSMISSION		

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 22, 2005 for the above-identified patent application, Applicants submit a Petition for Extension of Time, the requisite fee, and the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** which begin on page 14.